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Both Muntasser's optimism and British Foreign Office report are unwarranted by any developments to date. If you feel Libyan expectations getting out of hand basis such reports, you should inject necessary note of realism into Libyan thinking by expressing strong doubt US budgetary limitations justify such hopes under most favorable of circumstances. You can add that Libyan needs being given careful consideration within US capabilities.

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Re last sentence Tripoli 434, believe you should not go beyond simple acknowledgment of receipt. Your five points Embtel 434 served as necessary reservations regarding working group report.

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